

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Department of the Navy****Withdrawal of Surplus Land at a Military Installation Designated for Realignment: Naval Air Station (NAS), Key West, FL**

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DOD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice provides information on withdrawal of surplus property at NAS Key West, FL.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Richard A. Engel, Head, BRAC Real Estate Section, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, 1322 Patterson Ave. SE., Suite 1000, Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374-5065, telephone (202) 685-9203, or E. R. Nelson, Director, Real Estate Department, Southern Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, P.O. Box 190010, 2155 Eagle Drive, North Charleston, SC 29419-9010, telephone (843) 820-7494.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In 1995, NAS Key West, FL, was designated for realignment pursuant to the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1990 (DBCRA), Public Law 101-510, as amended. Pursuant to this designation, in April of 1996, approximately 168.14 acres of land and related facilities at this installation were declared surplus to the Federal Government and available for use by (a) non-Federal public agencies pursuant to various statutes which authorize conveyance of property for public projects, and (b) homeless provider groups pursuant to the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11411), as amended. Approximately 35 acres of land improved with 10 buildings have been requested for transfer by other Federal agencies and was not included within the 168.14 acres. On July 3, 1997, a second determination was made to withdraw approximately 16 acres of improved and unimproved fee simple land at NAS Key West, FL, known as the Trumbo Point Annex Tank Farm. A third determination was made on December 20, 1999, to withdraw 3.54 acres of improved and unimproved fee simple land at NAS Key West, FL, known as the Seminole Battery. A fourth determination was made on May 2, 2003, to withdraw land and facilities previously reported as surplus that are now required by the Federal Government. This withdrawal is required to satisfy new military requirements and security concerns.

Notice of Surplus Property: Pursuant to paragraph (7)(B) of Section 2905(b) of the DBCRA, as amended by the Base

Closure Community Redevelopment and Homeless Assistance Act of 1994, the following information is regarding the withdrawal of previously reported surplus property at NAS Key West, FL, which was published in 61 FR 19614, May 2, 1996.

Withdrawn Property Description: The following is a description of land and facilities at NAS Key West, FL, that are withdrawn from surplus by the Federal government.

Land: Approximately 16.1 acres of improved and unimproved fee simple land at NAS Key West, FL, known as Truman Annex. This also includes the berthing wharf known as the Mole Pier.

Buildings: The following is a summary of the facilities located on the above-described land. General Warehouses: three structures of approximately 34,120 square feet.

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P.C. LeBlanc,

Lieutenant Commander, Judge Advocate General's Corps, U.S. Navy, Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Department of the Navy****Notice of Availability of Government-Owned Invention; Available for Licensing**

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DOD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The invention listed below is assigned to the United States Government as represented by the Secretary of the Navy and is available for licensing by the Department of the Navy. Navy Case No. 84,717, entitled "Multiparameter System for Environmental Monitoring".

ADDRESS: Requests for information about the invention cited should be directed to the Naval Research Laboratory, Code 1004, 4555 Overlook Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20375-5320, and must include the Navy Case number.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Catherine M. Cotell, Ph.D., Head, Technology Transfer Office, NRL Code 1004, 4555 Overlook Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20375-5320, telephone (202) 767-7230. Due to temporary U.S. Postal Service delays, please fax (202) 404-7920, E-Mail: cotell@nrl.navy.mil or use courier delivery to expedite response.

Authority: 35 U.S.C. 207, 37 CFR Part 404.

Dated: May 15, 2003.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests**

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Acting Leader, Regulatory Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before July 21, 2003.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Acting Leader, Regulatory Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the

Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: May 15, 2003.

Joseph Schubart,

Acting Leader, Regulatory Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

Office of Postsecondary Education

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Ronald E. McNair

Postbaccalaureate Achievement Program Annual Performance Report Form.

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions; State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 156.

Burden Hours: 702.

Abstract: McNair Program grantees must submit the report annually. The report provides the Department of Education with information needed to evaluate a grantee's performance and compliance with program requirements and to award prior experience points in accordance with the program regulations. The data collected is also aggregated to provide national information on project participants and program outcomes.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 2279. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to Vivian Reese, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 4050, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651 or to the e-mail address vivian_reese@ed.gov. Requests may also be electronically mailed to the internet address OCIO_RIMG@ed.gov or faxed to 202-708-9346. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be directed to Joseph Schubart at (202) 708-9266 or via his e-mail address Joe.Schubart@ed.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Science; Office of Biological and Environmental Research; Recommendations for Sequencing Targets in Support of the Science Missions of the Office of Biological and Environmental Research (BER)

AGENCY: Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of recommendations for sequencing targets.

SUMMARY: This **Federal Register** notice seeks the input and nominations of interested parties for candidate microbes, microbial consortia, and 100Mb-or-less-sized organisms for draft genomic sequencing in support of Office of Biological and Environmental Research (BER) programs, among them, the Climate Change Research Program, the Natural and Accelerated Bioremediation Research (NABIR) Program, the Environmental Management Science Program (EMSP), the Microbial Genome Program (MGP), and the GTL Program. Nominated candidates should be relevant to DOE mission needs, e.g., organisms involved in environmental processes, including waste remediation, carbon management, and energy production. This announcement is not an offer of direct financial support for research on these organisms. Those nominations selected will result in the DNA sequence of selected organisms being determined at a draft level (6-8 × coverage) at the DOE Production Genomics Facility (PGF) at the Joint Genome Institute (JGI), (<http://www.jgi.doe.gov>). This announcement is designed to assist DOE in determining and prioritizing a list of microbes, microbial consortia, or modest-genome sized (not more than 100Mb) organisms (including eukaryotes) that address DOE mission needs. Following merit review, and subject to the availability of funding and programmatic relevance, draft sequencing will be carried out at the PGF.

DATES: To assure consideration, nominations in response to this notice should be received by 4:30 p.m. (EST), June 26, 2003, to be accepted for merit review. It is anticipated that review will be completed early in the fall of 2003 with draft sequencing at the DOE PGF to commence towards the end of 2003 or early in 2004, conditional upon the provision of high quality DNA.

ADDRESSES: Nominations responding to this notice should be sent to Dr. Daniel W. Drell, Office of Biological and Environmental Research, SC-72, Office of Science, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Ave., SW.,

Washington, DC 20585-1290; email is acceptable and encouraged for submitting nominations using the following addresses:

joanne.corcoran@science.doe.gov and daniel.drell@science.doe.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Daniel W. Drell, SC-72, Office of Biological and Environmental Research, Office of Science, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20585-1290, phone: (301) 903-4742, email: daniel.drell@science.doe.gov. The full text of this notice is available via the Internet using the following Web site address: <http://www.sc.doe.gov/ober/microbial.html>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The DOE Office of Biological and Environmental Research supports fundamental research in a variety of missions (http://www.sc.doe.gov/ober/ober_top.html). Relevant BER programs may include the Climate Change Research Program, the Natural and Accelerated Bioremediation Research (NABIR) Program, the Environmental Management Science Program (EMSP), the Microbial Genome Program (MGP) and the GTL program. The Climate Change Research Program supports investigations of microbially-mediated fixation of atmospheric CO₂. The NABIR program supports research on microbial biotransformations and/or immobilization of metal and radionuclide wastes. The EMSP supports research into microbially-mediated biotransformations of DOE-relevant organic wastes such as chlorinated solvents. The MGP supports key DOE missions by providing and analyzing microbial DNA sequence information to further the understanding and application of microbiology relating to energy production, chemical and materials production, environmental carbon management, and environmental cleanup. The GTL Program builds on the successes of the DOE Human Genome Program (HGP) by seeking to understand biological function in DOE mission relevant microbes with emphases on identifying the multi-component protein complexes in cells, characterizing gene regulatory networks, probing the functional capabilities of the environmental microbial repertoire of genes, and beginning to model these processes computationally.

Over the last nine years, sequencing of a range of microorganisms that live in a wide diversity of environments has provided a considerable information base for scientific research related not only to DOE missions, but also to other federal agency missions and U.S.